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SETTING UP OF ULTRA MEGA POWER PROJECTS
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Will the Minister of POWER be pleased to state:

(a) whether the proposed Ultra Mega Power Projects are facing financial problems;

(b) if so, the progress made so far in this regard, project-wise;

(c) the time by which construction work is likely to be completed, project-wise;

(d) whether any project is likely to be set-up with the assistance of Japan; and

(e) if so, the details thereof?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF POWER (SHRI SUSHILKUMAR SHINDE)

(a) to (e) : A Statement is laid on the Table of the House.

STATEMENT

STATEMENT REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PARTS (a) TO (e) OF STARRED QUESTION NO. 133 TO BE ANSWERED IN THE LOK SABHA ON 23.11.2007 REGARDING SETTING UP OF ULTRA MEGA POWER PROJECTS.

(a) to (e) : Under the Ultra Mega Power Projects (UMPPs) initiative launched by the Ministry of Power, the Central Electricity Authority had identified sites in different States for setting up the UMPPs. These projects are being developed on a Build, Own and Operate basis, and the project developer is selected through a tariff based competitive bidding process. There is no bar on the participation of bidding companies from any country including Japan, and it is the responsibility of the selected developer to tie up the funds required for the project. While the bidding process for the Mundra and Sasan UMPPs, has been completed, it is currently under process for the Krishnapatnam and Tilaiya UMPPs. The bidding process for the other UMPPs will be taken up after the sites and the requisite clearances are available. In respect of the UMPP in Mundra, the Special Purpose Vehicle (SPV), that is Coastal Gujarat Power Ltd. (CGPL) which was transferred to the selected developer had recently informed that the contracts have been entered into for supply of boiler and steam turbine generator packages.

The Power Purchase Agreement (PPA) for the Mundra UMPP was signed on 22.4.2007, and for the Sasan UMPP on 7.08.2007. The scheduled Commercial Operation Dates for different units as indicated by the selected developers in the respective PPAs are as follows:-

Months from signing of PPA

	Sasan UMPP (6 units of 660 MW each)	Mundra UMPP (5 units of 800 MW each)
Unit-1	69	64
Unit-2	76	70
Unit-3	83	76
Unit-4	90	82
Unit-5	97	88
Unit-6	104	-

However, the developers have an option under the PPA to advance the commissioning schedule.